

# Yokine Districts Bowling Club Newsletter

Week Ending July  
5th



G'Day Wonderful YDBC members to this week's Newsletter

## Results

### Last Tuesday's Results - LOTTO Bowls.

1<sup>st</sup> Peter McGowan & Lisa Auerbach.

2<sup>nd</sup> Col Guelfi & Pam Bayliss.

3<sup>rd</sup> Rob Hicks & Paul Hunter.

Nineteen players turned out to play in near-perfect weather.  
*Remember please to nominate for next Tuesday's July 2 game!*

Richard has the list up on the club NOTICE BOARD

### Friday June 28<sup>th</sup> – Yokine \$200.00

1<sup>st</sup> John McGrath & Gary Robertson.

2<sup>nd</sup> George 'M/M'Vassiliou & Peter "CERIL" Mc Gowan.

3<sup>rd</sup> "South Perth Millers" Todd & Grumpy Weir.

### 'SUPER' Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup> game attracted 28 players.

In cold windy conditions, it was a great day had by all.

1<sup>st</sup> North Perth Invaders Craig McGuinness & Michael Lake.


2<sup>nd</sup> Paul 'Roo~Boy' Hunter & John 'HENDO' Henderson.

3<sup>rd</sup> George 'M/M'Vassiliou & Steve "JESSIE" James.

2 game winners The Bowling Coopers.

## Upcoming Events

### Christmas in July

Saturday, 27th July 6pm  
until late at the club – a  
dinner dance with  
lots of added fun. 

Peter Lyle needs you to  
provide photos of  
yourselves when you were  
young (3 – 20years).

Music will be provided by  
M.G. & The Shakers.

**Everyone is welcome.**

Phone the YDBC on 9444  
7000 or email  
[yokine@yokine.com.au](mailto:yokine@yokine.com.au)  
to book your table.

# Club News

Les Wiley is still on the sick list!

Ray Hutchinson is improving.

Barry Gartrell's word of the week is SENSATIONAL!

Barry Gartrell, Paul Hunter & VP Phil "Freddie" Whitehead will be missing from the action for the next 3 weeks, enjoying the sun, in Thailand, and drinking the local beer and most importantly playing bowls.

## Chase the Ace!

My school teaching, martial arts exponent our eldest grandson Mitch Migro had his name called out but was not a winner.

Next Friday the jackpot will be **\$2100 – make sure you're there!**

This week I am introducing a new section for members to enjoy!

I sent Colin Guelfi, one of the club's finest members, and immediate past President a series of questions so we can get to know a bit more about him.

Here are the questions and his responses.

Where were you born?

*Born at SJOG hospital Subiaco.*

Family life before you were married? Brothers, sisters etc.

*Our family consists of 1 older brother and 1 younger sister than me.*

How many children?

*I am fortunate to have 2 daughters with my late wife Maria.*

## Save the date- Car Boot Sale

Sunday August 9th 2024

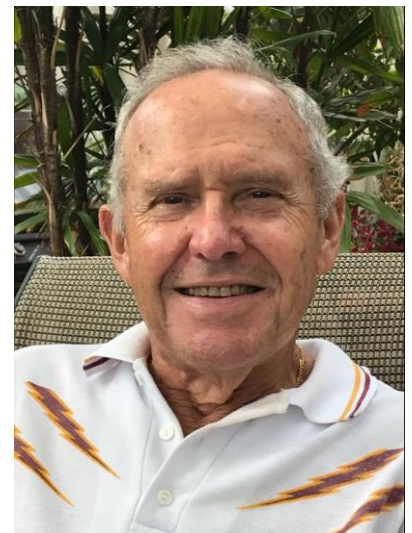
Time: Sellers from 6.30 am  
Buyers from 7.30 am



Sellers can purchase bays from HUMANITIX at \$15 each

Coffee, Scones, Cakes, and Sausage sizzle will be available

Venue: car Park at YDBC 10 Wordsworth Ave, YOKINE. See you there.



Business life from the time you left school?

*After High School (1964) worked in Commonwealth Public Service for 1 year then left and started an Agricultural business with my brother.*

Schools attended?

*My school life was Primary at Osborne Park and Secondary at Tuart Hill High*

Tell us about your work/business life.

*Agricultural business for a few years then the family bought a cattle farm at Coolup which was sold in 1976. After that I drove for a truck company out of Kewdale but saw no future so started TAFE to obtain a Real Estate license, which I achieved in 1979. Worked for an agency till 1981 when I started Main Realty with my brother in Osborne Park. I bought my brother out in 1985 and stayed as a Sole trader till 2005 when joined The Professionals Group which was a Marketing Group, not a franchise. Following the passing of my wife Maria in 2015 I remained in business till 2017 when staff offered to buy me out which I accepted and have been retired since then.*

What are your interests now?

*My main interests in life are now Lawn Bowls, Alfa Romeo cars, my daughters, and my lovely partner Fiona.*

Do you follow a WAFL team? If so, who?

*I follow Swan Districts and have so since 1959.*

Do you follow an AFL team? If so, who?

*I follow the Eagles and have been a member since 1998*

Where do you live? On the way through life which other places have you lived?

*When I was born the family lived on a pig farm in Balcatta which was sold to developers in 1964 when we moved to Forrestfield but that farm was 50% resumed by State Gov't for Kewdale Marshalling Yards. Subsequently lived at Coolup till sold then moved to Yokine where I have been till my most recent move to Dianella in 2012.*

Tell us about your involvement with the YDBC.

*I have been a member of the club since 1985 and it occupies a lot of my time. Spent 4 years as president (during COVID) and many years volunteering which I continue to do. I introduced the idea of a Car Boot Sale (which is going well) and have been part of the bowls membership helping out on any matters. Must say I think the 2 years YDBC ran the Carnival for the Nations Competition were some of the hardest things I have done but with all the wonderful help in our Club it proved a HUGE success. I am a current selector and was instrumental in having the Club patio built.*

Who is the best sportsman or woman you have seen? Any sport.

*Think the best state sportsperson I have seen is Polly Farmer, best Australian sportsperson Lew Hoad, and the best international sportsperson Ayrton Senna.*

How do you unwind after Bowls or other activities?

*Unwinding after bowls is easy and at home with my family sitting on the couch.*

What type of music 🎸🎸 do you like?

*My daughter is a WAAPA trained Mezzo- Soprano so I have grown to love opera and anything from '60s through to '90s. Not a big fan of modern music.*

How do you see the future of Lawn Bowls?

*The future of Lawn Bowls is at a delicate stage with mixed gender competition becoming the norm and there is nothing wrong with that. It will be interesting to see how Pennants unfolds in the next couple of years but I hope our older members embrace change and participate with the same enthusiasm.*

How do you see the sport progressing? What is required to improve it?

*There may need to be a change in the pennant format to rejuvenate our game and make sure it retains the enthusiasm to keep pennants alive.*

What is the future of the YDBC?

*The talk of late that BOWLS WA want to relocate their offices to our Club would be a great outcome for YDBC if it is done properly and all parties, (City of Stirling, BOWLS WA, State Gov't, and YDBC) can get their acts together. Time is important as these things drag on for too long and nobody wants to make the initial move.*

What should be done to improve things @ The YDBC?

*YDBC needs to undertake a plan to get a roof over A green to have a facility that can be used 365 days of the year. This will give our club the benefit of being able to provide a facility that can be used by BOWLS WA to stage finals and other interstate events here.*

Your thoughts on the game now becoming an open gender in pennant games?

*Open gender can only be good for our game so long as all members embrace the concept.*

How should Bowls be promoted to attract younger people?

*Attracting younger people is going to be a challenge for all bowling clubs, but providing off-the-green activities for younger people is a start. The idea of a roof over A green means the Barefoot activity can be played over a longer season and with the Jack Attack and this can provide a source of younger people if promoted towards these players. I am sure many young people would appreciate the game of lawn bowls.*

Finally, Con thank you for giving me the chance to speak my mind on bowls, delve into my memory bank, and revive some of my past which I hope members will enjoy

pp Con Migro

Menora, Western Australia

